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Title: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY

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Subject: Information disclosure statement under 37 CFR §1.56.

20 Dear Sir:

This is an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the duty to disclose information material to patentability under 37 CFR §1.56. The 25 applicant wishes to make of record the documents listed on the accompanying form 1449A/PTO. It is respectfully requested that the examiner initials the cited reference on the form and that it be made of record in the application and that a copy of the initialed form be sent to the applicant with the next communication from the examiner.

Since the IDS is filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, a petition to request consideration of the information disclosure statement is hereby requested according to 37 CFR §1.97(b). To comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), which states that each item of information contained in the information was first cited indisclosure statement any communications from a foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information statement, item of disclosure each information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in the communication from the Taiwan Intellectual Property Office on May 25, 2004 for a counterpart foreign application. The applicant sincerely hopes that the examiner can consider the items contained in this IDS.

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According to the requirement set forth in 37 CFR \$1.98 and MPEP 609 (Rev.1, Feb. 2000), the applicant is submitting a copy of the reference cited by the Taiwan Intellectual Property Office, which including a Japanese patent application JP 2002244133 (published Aug. 28, 2002) and a Taiwanese patent application TW 552439 (published Sep. 11, 2003), and a concise explanation of the relevance to this application hereinafter.

Regarding JP 2002244133, Fig. 1 illustrates a backlight module for providing backlight illumination to a first LCD panel 1 and a second LCD panel 5. The backlight module includes a first light source 2, a first light guide plate 3, a resin frame 4, a second

light source 6, and a second light guide plate 7. JP 2002244133 never teaches to use lamp reflectors surrounding the light sources to improve illumination efficiency of the backlight module, as is disclosed in the amended claim 1 of the present application. In addition, JP 2002244133 never teaches to interlay the light sources between the first LCD display and the second LCD panel, as is disclosed in the amended claim 12 of the present application. Therefore, the claimed invention of the present application is believed different from the prior art as shown in JP 2002244133.

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Regarding TW 552439, Fig. 1 illustrates a backlight 15 module for providing backlight illumination to two LCD panels 2. The backlight module includes a light source 10, and a light quide plate 1 positioned between the two LCD panels 2. TW 552439 only teaches to put the light source(s) at one side of the light guide plate 1. TW 552439 never teaches the concept of introducing 20 lights from both sides of the light guide plate, as is disclosed in the amended claim 1 of the present application. TW 552439 does not teach to use lamp reflectors surrounding the light sources to improve the illumination efficiency of the backlight module, 25 as is disclosed in the amended claim 1 of the present application. In addition, TW 552439 never teaches to interlay the light sources between the first LCD display and the second LCD panel, as is disclosed in the amended 30 claim 12 of the present application. Therefore, the claimed invention of the present application believed different from the prior art as shown in TW

552439.

For convenience, the amended claims 1 and 12 of the present application are listed below:

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Claim 1: A liquid crystal display comprising a first panel positioned on a front surface of a backlight unit, and a second panel positioned on a back surface of the backlight unit; wherein the backlight unit provides light to both of the first panel and the second panel to enable either of the panels to display images, the backlight unit comprising:

a first light guide plate positioned on a back surface of the first panel;

a second light guide plate positioned on a back surface of the second panel;

at least a light source and a first lamp reflector surrounding the first light source positioned at a first side of the backlight unit, and at least a second light source and a second lamp reflector surrounding the second light source positioned at a second side of the backlight unit; and

a reflector positioned between the first side and the second side to reflect light emitted from the first light source and the second light source to the first panel and the second panel.

Claim 12: A liquid crystal display comprising a first panel positioned on a front surface of a backlight unit, and a second panel positioned on a back surface of the backlight unit; wherein the backlight unit provides light to both of the first panel and the second panel

to enable either of the panels to display images, the backlight unit comprising:

a first optical film and a first diffusion sheet positioned on a back surface of the first panel;

a second optical film and a second diffusion sheet positioned on a back surface of the second panel; and

at least a light source positioned between the first diffusion sheet and the second diffusion sheet, and light emitted from the light source passing through the first diffusion sheet and the second diffusion sheet to be uniformly transmitted to the first panel and the second panel.

15 Respectfully Submitted,

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